Reading comprehension
Tenn. Fire Chief Charged With Arson
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TIPTONVILLE, Tenn. — The city's fire chief and three volunteer firefighters, including the chief's grandson, were charged Tuesday with setting a string of fires in vacant buildings over the past two years.

The men, all members of the Tiptonville Volunteer Fire Department, were arrested Monday. No one was hurt in the blazes they were accused of starting.

Neighbors were aware someone was setting fires, but they were shocked when the firefighters were charged.

"Everybody knew that we had a firebug for a couple of years,"said Johnny Whitson, who owns a shoe shop near where two buildings burned.

Norman Rhodes, police chief in this town of 2,400 people about 90 miles northeast of Memphis, did not give a motive.

"I don't think anybody has an explanation,"Rhodes said.

The charges list 10 structures that were burned from August 2004 to June 2006 _ several within 150 yards of Blackburn's home.

Police began investigating shortly after the fires began and have been"pretty sure"about the suspects for the past year, Rhodes said.

Phil Bivens, district attorney general for Lake County, said if convicted the firefighters could receive three to 15 years in prison.

"One of the factors the court will look at is that they are in a position of public trust as firemen,"Bivens said.

1- Where did the events take place? (City, State, country)

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2- What happened there?

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3- Who were the arsonists? How were they related?

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4- Why were people so shocked when they discovered the identity of the arsonists?

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5- How did they set the buildings on fire?

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6-How many firetrucks has the Tiptonville Volunteer Fire Department got ?

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7- Did they manage to burn Practical Pig's home?

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8- Who killed Colonel Mustard in the library with a handgun?

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9- As today is April Fools' day, you don't have to answer all these silly questions (only questions 1 to 4 are answerable). But please, pretend you are doing the test. Keep writing and don't say anything.

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